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SUBJECT: MPLA FACTIONS AND COMMON FRONT

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1. ZAIRE AMBASSADOR NYARENDE IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION OCT 15 EXPRESSED PLEASURE WITH RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN KINSHASA WHEREBY CHIPENDA OF MPLA AND ROBERTO OF FNLA HAVE BEEN NARROWING DIFFERENCES IN RESPONDING TO INVITATION FROM PORTUGUESE TO NEGOTIATE ANGOLAN INDEPENDENCE.

2. SOURCE SAID SITUATION COMPLETELY CHANGED FROM THAT RECRTEC REFTEL AS BRAZZAVILLE AGREEMENT ON MPLA "UNITY" NOW A DEAD LETTER; MPLA CENTRAL COMMITTEE NO LONGER EXISTS; AND EACH OF THREE MPLA FACTIONS OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY. NETO DUE BACK IN LUSAKA OCT 16 OR 17 FROM DAR ES SALAAM TO MEET WITH EASTERN REVOLT LEADER CHIPENDA OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE, AND BRAZZAVILLE MCTELLECTUAL HEAD, PINTOGE ANDRADE. THESE
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TWO LEADERS WILL SIMPLY ASK NETO IF HE WISHES TO JOINT THEM

IN FORMING COMMON FRONT TO NEGOTIATE WITH PORTUGUESE
IF HE ACCEPTS, ALL THREE WILL GO TO KINSHASA FOR FURTHER
MEETING ON COMMON FRONT. IF HE REFUSES, THE OTHER TWO
WILL CARRY ON TOWARD COMMON FRONT AND SIMPLY DROP NETO
("LAISSER TOMBER"). MEANWHILE UNITA REPRESENTATIVE
WHO WAS IN KINSHASA FOR TALKS WITH PORTUGUESE
LAST WEEK WAS REPORTED
TO HAVE GONE TO ANGOLA TO FETCH JONAS
SAVIMBE IN HOPES HE TOO WOULD PARTICIPATE IN KINSHASA TALKS.

3. NYARENDE REAFFIRMED ZAIRE POINT OF VIEW THAT NOTHING
CONCERNING PORTUGUESE COMMITMENT TO ANGOLAN LIBERATION
HAS CHANGED WITH WITHDRAWAL OF GENERAL SPINOLA'S
PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT.
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